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PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. The Chair recognizes Senator Suttle to open on LB 195.

SENATOR SUTTLE: Thank you, Mr. President. Members of the Legislature, LB 95 (sic--195), as it was introduced, was changed completely in committee. It deals with expelled students and the rules and regulations of districts when they are accepting expelled students. OPS has a lot of alternative schools for different age kids, and as kids are expelled from other schools, there are problems when they come to OPS, and this would deal with that. Mr. Clerk, that really does explain the bill. Should I have the committee amendments now or...with that I'll...

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Suttle. We will now address the committee amendments. The Chair recognizes Senator Bohlke. (See AM0079 on page 381 of the Legislative Journal.)

SENATOR BOHLKE: Yes, Mr. Speaker, members, the committee amendments to LB 195 actually rewrite the original bill. The new section to the Student Discipline Act continues to prohibit students who have been expelled from any public, private, denominational, or parochial school from enrolling in a public school unless the terms of the expulsion have been completed, and unless the school board of the enrolling district approves the enrollment. The expulsions covered are expanded to include expulsions from schools in any state. The alternative education provisions are replaced with a provision allowing school boards to require attendance in an alternative school, class, or educational program pursuant to Section 79-266 as a condition of the enrollment until the terms of the expulsion are completed. The provision requiring districts to allow enrollment of students expelled from private, denominational, or parochial schools when the expulsion term allowed in the Student Discipline Act expires is clarified. Enrollment is only required if the student resides in the district or has been accepted pursuant to the enrollment option program. Furthermore, if the expulsion was for an offense for which expulsion is not authorized for the public schools under the Student Discipline Act, the school cannot prevent enrollment. Those are the...that is the committee amendment.